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SUBJECT: CU/ARTS: BLACKEARTH PERCUSSION GROUP TOURING
PRIVATELY

REF: STATE 261534, BERLIN 2627, LISBON 8157

1. REVISED TENTATIVE ITINERARY FOR BLACKEARTH PERCUSSION
GROUP FOLLOWS: ATHENS MARCH 29; THESSALONIKI 31; BUCHAREST
APRIL 4-5; WARSAW 7-8; STRASBOURG 13; BERLIN 15; GENEVA
18-19; ROME 21; MILAN 22; COLOGNE 24-25; GHENT 28; PARIS
30-MAY 1; LISBON 3-6.
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2. FOR BUCHAREST AND SOFIA: IN ORDER FINALIZE ITINERARY
FURNISH PRIORITY DATES/NUMBER CONCERTS PLANNED AND YOUR
RECOMMENDATIONS TO POINT RAISED PARA 4 STATEREFTEL RE
PROPOSED SURFACE TRANSPORT THESSALONIKI/BUCHAREST VIA
BULGARIA. IN EVENT GROUP'S VISIT DOES MATERIALIZE ASSUME
EMB BUCHAREST PLANS SUBMIT REQUEST FOR ISSUANCE OF VISAS IN
U.S. TO GROUP PRIOR THEIR DEPARTURE. ADVISE

3. FOR LISBON: BLACKEARTH GREATLY INTERESTED IN PERFORMING
IN PORTUGAL AT END OF TOUR. IF PARIS DATES ABOVE ARE
FINALIZED AND PORTUGAL SPONSOR CAN PLAY AIRTRAVEL PARIS-
LISBON FOR GROUP OF 4 AND 1000 POUNDS EQUIPMENT, LISBON
DATES COULD BE MAY 3-4. IF GROUP MUST DRIVE VAN THEY
PLAN USE FOR REST OF EUR TOUR, DATES WOULD HAVE TO BE LATER
IN WEEK. AGENCY INCREASING POST GOE BY DOLS 240.

4. FOR MADRID: GROUP WOULD LIKE INCLUDE CONCERTS IN SPAIN
IN CONJUNCTION WITH PORTUGAL PERFORMANCES. ADVISE CU/ARTS
AND LISBON WHETHER INTERESTED.

5. FOR PARIS: ADVISE CU/ARTS ASAP WHETHER POST ACCEPTS
APRIL 30 DATE. GROUP HAS BEEN APPROACHED BY MAURICE
FLUREAT OF ARC 2 FOR SECOND PARIS CONCERT MAY 1. PROGRAM
WOULD BE COMPLETELY DIFFERENT AND NEITHER WOULD INCLUDE
WORKS PLAYED ON LAST YEAR'S PARIS CONCERT.

6. FOR ROME: BLACKEARTH NOW FINDS APRIL 21 FOR ROME AND
APRIL 22 FOR MILAN WOULD WORK BEST IN TOUR ITINERARY.
ADVISE CU/ARTS ASAP WHETHER POST INTERESTED IN SPONSORING
GROUP THESE DATES AT TERMS CITED PARA 7 STATE REFTEL.

7. FOR ALL POSTS: REMINDER THAT GROUP NEEDS FURNISHED
EQUIPMENT LISTED IN STATE 183928, JULY 24. IF NOT ABLE
FURNISH ALL, PROVIDE CU/ARTS WITH LIST OF WHAT AVAILABLE
SO GROUP CAN PLAN PROGRAM ACCORDINGLY. KISSINGER

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